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1. Papers enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:

- 19 Page(s) of Specification
- 2 Page(s) of Claims
- 1 Page(s) of Abstract
- 6 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-7(b))
- ☒ [x] Petition to Accept Color Drawings (37 CFR 1.84(a)(2))
- ☒ [x] Figs. 2a-2h (in triplicate)

B. Other Papers Enclosed

- ☒ [x] A Patent Application Bibliographic Data
- ☒ [x] A Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ [] An Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ [] PTO Form-1449

2. Additional Papers to Follow Under Separate Cover

- ☒ [x] A combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ [x] A Claim for Priority and certified copies of Japanese Application 2000-093,230 filed March 30, 2000 and Japanese Application 2001-042,293 filed February 19, 2001
- ☒ [x] An Assignment Transmittal and Assignment of the invention to NGK Insulators, Ltd.

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